

Chambers of District Judge Lynn Nettleton Hughes

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Lynn Nettleton Hughes
District Judge

Education: Alabama 1963 BA; Texas 1966 JD; Virginia 1992 LLM
Began Service: December 17, 1985
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Academic: Adjunct Professor, South Texas College of Law (1973-2003); Advisor, European Community (1989); Chair, Board of Advisors, Houston Journal of International Law (1989-1999); Adjunct Professor, University of Texas School of Law (1990-1991); Advisor, Republic of Moldova's Constitution (1993); Advisor, Romanian privatization (1997); Advisor, George Mason University (1999)

Judicial: Judge, 165th Judicial District of Texas (1979-1980); Judge, 189th Judicial District of Texas (1981-1985)

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1966-1972); Partner, Howard & Hughes (1973-1979)

Current Memberships: The American Law Institute; American Society for Legal History; Council on Foreign Relations; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Law Clerk **Cynthia Ericson** (713) 250-5900
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Chambers of District Judge Kenneth M. Hoyt

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Kenneth M. Hoyt
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1948
Education: Texas Southern 1969 AB, 1972 JD
Began Service: April 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan
Political Affiliation: Republican

Academic: Instructor, South Texas College (1981-1982); Adjunct Professor, Thurgood Marshall School of Law (1983-1984)

Judicial: Presiding Judge, Texas District Court, 125th Civil District (1981-1982); Justice, Texas Court of Appeals, First District (1985-1988)

Legal Practice: Partner, Wickliff, King, Hoyt & Jones (1972-1975); Partner, Anderson, Hodge, Jones & Hoyt (1975-1979); Partner, Hoyt, Webster & Andrews (1979-1981); Private Practice (1983-1985)

Military Service: United States Army (1972-1978)

Current Memberships: National Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Law Clerk **Sandra Pope** (713) 250-5615
Law Clerk **Bryan Snoddy** (713) 250-5616
Education: Texas Southern JD
Judicial Assistant **Elaine A. Roberson** (713) 250-5613
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**Sim Lake**
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1944
Education: Texas A&M 1966 BA; Texas 1969 JD
Began Service: September 2, 1988
Appointed By: President Ronald Reagan

Legal Practice: Fulbright & Jaworski (1969-1970); Fulbright & Jaworski (1972-1988)

Military Service: United States Army (1970-1971)

Current Memberships: The American Law Institute; Houston Bar Association; Houston Bar Foundation, Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

Staff

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Chambers of District Judge Melinda Harmon

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Melinda Harmon
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Radcliffe 1969 AB; Texas 1972 JD
Began Service: 1989
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John V. Singleton, Jr., United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas (1973-1975)

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Court, 280th Judicial District, Civil Division (1988-1989)

Legal Practice: Litigation Section, Exxon Company, United States of America (1975-1988)

Current Memberships: Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas

Staff

Law Clerk **Andino Reynal** (713) 250-5194
Began Service: August 2005
Term Expires: August 2007
Career Law Clerk **Nancy Benjamin** (713) 250-5194
Education: Smith 1965 BA; NYU 1966 MA;
Houston 1984 PhD, 1987 JD
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Chambers of District Judge John D. Rainey

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John D. Rainey
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1945
Education: Southern Methodist 1967 BBA, 1972 JD
Began Service: May 28, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Judicial: Judge, Texas District Court, 149th Judicial District (1987-1990)

Legal Practice: Taylor, Mizell, Price, Corrigan & Smith (1973-1979); Partner, Gilbert, Gilbert & Rainey (1979-1982); Partner, Rainey & LeBoeuf (1982-1986)

Military Service: United States Army (1969-1970)

Current Memberships: State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas; Victoria County Bar Association

Chambers of District Judge Samuel B. Kent

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Samuel B. Kent
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1949
Education: Texas 1971 BA, 1975 JD
Began Service: October 1, 1990
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Legal Practice: Royston, Rayzor, Vickery & Williams (1975-1990)

Staff

Secretary **Donna Wilkerson** (409) 766-3551

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Lee H. Rosenthal
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1952
Education: Chicago 1974 BA, 1977 JD
Began Service: 1992
Appointed By: President George H.W. Bush

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John R. Brown, United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit (1977-1978)

Legal Practice: Associate then Partner, Baker & Botts (1978-1992)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The American Inns of Court; The American Law Institute; Houston Bar Association; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

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Janis Graham Jack
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1946
Education: Baltimore 1974 BA; South Texas 1981 JD
Began Service: March 14, 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Government: Member, Corpus Christi Board of Equalization

Legal Practice: Private Practice (1981-1994)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; Federal Judges Association; Fifth Circuit District Judges Association; Maritime Law Association of the United States; National Association of Women Judges; Philosophical Society of Texas; State Bar of Texas; Texas Bar Foundation, State Bar of Texas

Staff

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Vanessa D. Gilmore
District Judge

Date of Birth: 1956
Education: Hampton 1977 BS; Houston 1981 JD
Began Service: 1994
Appointed By: President William J. Clinton

Academic: Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Houston

Legal Practice: Associate, Vickery & Kilbride (1981-1985); Associate, Sue Schechter & Associates (1985-1986); Partner, Vickery, Kilbride, Gilmore & Vickery (1986-1994)

Staff

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